

**GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA  
Co-operation, Marketing and Textile Department  
Government Resolution No. Magnet 1122/CR 557/21C  
Mantralaya, Mumbai – 400 032  
Date : 25 November, 2022 .**

**Reference :** 1) General Administrative Department, GoM, GR dated 01.02.2021  
2) Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance, GoI Letter No. 1/11/2018-ADB.II, dated 02.11.2022  
3) Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi, Political clearance Application Reference Number : EPC17112277465UZ

**Government Resolution-**

Asian Development Bank assisted Maharashtra Agribusiness Network (MAGNET) project being implemented for development of Integrated Value chains in the focused horticulture crops (i.e., Pomegranate, Banana, Orange, Sweet Orange, Custard Apple, Guava, Sapota, Strawberry, Okra, Chili (Green and Red) and Flowers) in the Maharashtra State, India. Considering the current credit financing in India, there was limited focus on financing as per requirement of the value chain dynamics. Thus, during MAGNET project design phase, after understanding the gaps in current credit financing to Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) and Value Chain Operators (VCOs) (Start ups, exporters, aggregators) in India and particularly in Maharashtra, ADB has introduced Financial Intermediation Loan (FIL) component in the MAGNET Project as it has been implemented successfully in the Uzbekistan Horticulture Value chain development Project. MAGNET Project aims to bring in a paradigm shift and enable FPOs as well as VCOs to leverage loans at competitive rates through the Financial Intermediation Loan component. Successful implementation of FIL component in MAGNET project would set path in Agriculture value chain financing in India. Hence in order to understand project implementation experience, enhance project execution capacity and exchange ideas on horticulture value chain development through FIL and other means, ADB has planned a study visit of MAGNET EA officials to Uzbekistan from 28th to 30th November 2022.

Department of Economic Affairs has requested to send nominations of three officials involved in the execution and implementation of MAGNET project to participate in study tour of the Horticulture Value Chain Development Project in Uzbekistan – 28-30 November, 2022.

On this background to participate in the study tour of the Horticulture Value Chain Development Project in Uzbekistan from 28 to 30 November, 2022 (excluding travel time) the Government of Maharashtra has nominated participating officers as below :-

<b>Name</b>	<b>Designation</b>	<b>Period</b>
Mr. Anoop Kumar	Additional Chief Secretary (Co-operation and Marketing), Mantralaya, Mumbai	28 <sup>th</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup> November, 2022
Mr. Deepak Shinde	Project Director, MAGNET Project.	28 <sup>th</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup> November, 2022
Dr. Amol Yadav	Additional Project Director, MAGNET Project	28 <sup>th</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup> November, 2022

2. The Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India vide their letter under reference no. EPC17112277465UZ has conveyed the political clearance of the Central Government of the above referred officers.

3. All the expenses for the said study tour of the Horticulture Value Chain Development Project in Uzbekistan delegation including Air travel, Visa, etc. will be borne by the Asian Development Bank.

4. Accordingly, Government of Maharashtra is pleased to accord the sanction of the study tour of the Horticulture Value Chain Development Project in Uzbekistan of Mr. Anoop Kumar, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary (Co-operation and Marketing) Mantralaya, Mumbai, Mr. Deepak Shinde, Project Director, MAGNET Project, Pune and Dr. Amol Yadav Additional Project Director, MAGNET Project, Pune to participate in the study tour of the Horticulture Value Chain Development Project in Uzbekistan during 28/11/2022 to 30/11/2022.

5. The Government is further pleased to authorize the Period of absence from duty of nominated officers to be treated as " on duty period until they resumes on their duty on return to India from the said tour.

6. Nominated officers are also allowed to avail of the transit period as required for completing the visa formalities etc. and performing journey from The place of their duty to the place of study tour of the Horticulture Value Chain Development Project in Uzbekistan and back. It is certified that for the foreign tour, this officers would have continued to officiate in present posting and pay scale.

7. During the period of study tour of the Horticulture Value Chain Development Project in Uzbekistan visit program, nominated officers will be entitled to leave salary in the post held by them prior to their visit programme. Government of Maharashtra will bear the expenditure on account of salary for the entire tour period (inclusive of journey period)

8. Nominated officers should submit a report to Government about their Study tour of this order, Participation in the said programme, within the period of three months from the date.

9. This Government Resolution is issued with the concurrence of Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India and General Administration Department, Government of Maharashtra UOR no. 70/2022/11 dated 14.11.2022

This Government resolution of Maharashtra Government is available at the website [www.maharashtra.gov.in](http://www.maharashtra.gov.in). Reference no. for this is 202211251254194302. This order has been signed digitally.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra.

**( Dr. Sugriv Dhapate )**

**Joint Secretary to Government of Maharashtra**

**To,**

- 1) The Chief Secretary, Government of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Mumbai.
- 2) The Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi,
- 3) The Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Economic Affairs, New Delhi,
- 4) The Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Finance (Department of Economic Affairs), New Delhi
- 5) The Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi.
- 6) The Additional Chief Secretary (Services), General Administration Department Mantralaya, Mumbai.
- 7) The Additional Chief Secretary Finance Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai.
- 8) Select File.